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(iv)	Woollen druggets, durries & goat hair pattis . .	8
(v)	Hand/knotted Silken/rayon/staple carpets . . .	15

(2) *Duty Drawback facility*

Sl. No.	Items	Duty Drawback allowed
(i)	Imitation zari all sorts	Rs 31·70 per kg, of Copper content
(ii)	Floor coverings including carpets all sorts & small-size handknotted woollen mats/carpets but excluding machine made woollen tufted carpets	3% of FOB value
(iii)	Cotton Durries (including cotton chindi durries/cotton Rag Rug Durries)/Druggets, when Dyed.	2% of FOB value
(iv)	Brass Artwares and Electro plated Nickle Silver (EPNS)/ Wares.	25% of FOB value subject to a maximum of Rs. 29 40 per kg.
(v)	Aluminium Artwares	Rs. 10 60 per kg.

(3) *Import Replenishment facility*

(i)	Handicrafts, e g Art-metalwares, woodwares etc	10% to 40% of FOB value depending upon the item of handicrafts.
(ii)	Hand-made woollen/silken/synthetic carpets etc	20% FOB value

(4) Pre-post shipment credit is available on concessional rate of interest i e. 7.5 per cent to 9.5 per cent depending upon nature and duration of credit

(5) In order to augment the export of handicrafts including Handknitted Carpets, the two Export Promotion Councils namely the Carpet Export Promotion Council and the Export promotion Council for Handicrafts have also sponsored sales-cum-study teams/Technical delegation, participated in Exhibitions/ Fairs, abroad to explore the market potentials

953 [*Transferred to 8th January*, 1991]

Financial assistance by Delhi Financial Corporation for development of tourism

954. SHRI ARANGIL SHREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Financial Corporation has formulated new support schemes for providing financial assistance to entrepreneurs for development of tourism and tourism related activities, facilities and services for the setting up of restaurant, cafetarias, tourist inn, Yatri Niwas, guest house etc,

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative what is the maximum limit of financial assistance to be given to such projects individually which may include land, building, office equipment, furnitures, kitchen facilities, airconditioning, preliminary and pre-operative expenses including interest during the implementation of project and contingencies etc.; and the details thereof; and

(c) what are the names/details of items which may be covered under the project cost, named above, individuallyfll

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The limit of financial assistance to any project under this sector is dependent on the status of the applicant unit. While the maximum limit of loan in case of proprietor and partnership concern is Rs. 60 lacs, in case of private and Public limited companies and Cooperative Societies, the maximum limit is Rs. 90 lacs subject to the condition that a debt-equity ratio of 2·1 is maintained.

(c) All the items mentioned in part (b) of the question are covered under the project cost

Appointment of Chief Election Commissioner

955. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI E. BALANANDAN·

Will the Minister of LAF AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from Seven Women's organisations protesting against the appointment of a civil servant as Chief Election Commissioner ignoring officiating as the acting CEC;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Women's Organisations have protested against the appointment of the present Chief Election Commissioner and have urged re-consideration of the Government's decision;

(c) The appointment of the present Chief Election Commissioner is strictly in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and there is neither any necessity nor is there any provision for re-consideration of the appointment made.

Import of Coconut Oil

956. SHRI N. E. BALARAM· Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to import coconut oil;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Kerala State Government has opposed this move as it is in contravention of the Centre's assurance in the past that it would not import Copra and coconut oil as it would break the backbone of the coconut cultivators in the State; and

(d) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir The Government has decided to import a limited quantity of Coconut oil mainly as a price stabilisation measure in the domestic market